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Problem with US: do best according to their understanding,
but aren't sensitive to what we want, such: e.g.
in leadership (Khan; Ky()).

You'd look for illusion; have none. Look for hero; none
(though VC have real heroes).

(Dong Van Sung) (why people don't sacrifice.)

[Can drive people

- Chan so angry that civs didn't get together at end of
election — as he expected — he wanted mil to win —
they demanded leadership, civs didn't — though he voted for
Luu (respected figure, more popular than Hung, though
ineffective; more national appeal; good ones under him (Dun).

(Chase program really needs PC's like Lin; but thinks
that not infeasible.

| PCs | | | |
|-----------|---------|------|----------|
| Very good | routine | Poor | Very Bad |
| 15 | 10-15 | 10 | 5 |

DC's: better.

"The better the land, the better the people."

How to free, & promote, good PC/DC's?

[Recall: Prov Councils, NA/PM/Pro/Comm...

US could have protected Luu, Dun from Dim, yet they did
not interfere, even to defend system: which could have led
to independent NA...

In NVN: intellectual/patriots:

- a) indoctrinated; no access to other point of view
- b) They are VNese; an ^{independent} nation; proud...
- c) less difference between leaders & followers

Thao
appreciation
body him
works with
the chair.

1948

In '40's, crisis of nationalists — aim of nationalism?

Communism (indoctrinated, ideology) vs. working with French.

In SVN, no org, no ideology.

Intellectuals who cooperated with Diem discredited after fall —
esp. by those who (felt guilty because they) never cooperated.

Now, the legislation reflects the sentiments of the people;
but not the support of the people, their participation.

Power is held by the Americans; they should uphold
the Constitution.

With no US there... the Army fights among itself;
country falls to VC. In SVN power is:

US strongest

VC second

ARVN third

Without US: VC. Without VC, ARVN; but practically
"you always have VC."

But US can't defeat ^{VC} by itself; nor can US + ARVN.
People split between ARVN and VC; not with VC, but not by
conviction, by VC techniques. "If people really wanted
Cons, I would leave the country."